

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A coating composition comprising a solution of a substituted or unsubstituted thiophene-containing electrically-conductive polymer, a film-forming binder, and an organic solvent media; the media having a water content  
5 between  $\geq 8$  and  $> 37$  weight percent. Such a coating composition provides a means to protect an imaging element against the accumulation of static electrical charges before and after image processing while also providing the element with improved manufacturability and physical properties.

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